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House No. HJR0105 By Purcell

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Barge, Waggoner, Sumner, and Cannon, Inc.

WHEREAS, it is only fitting that this body pause to recognize special enterprises within the state that, through the quality of their ideas and the commitment of their employees, manage to touch many lives and work for the betterment of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Barge, Waggoner, Sumner, and Cannon, Inc. is one such enterprise that, through the incredible dedication of its founders and employees, has enriched the lives of many people; and

WHEREAS, in 1955, Bill Waggoner, Dan Barge, and Billy Sumner founded the firm in Nashville; and

WHEREAS, in 1971, Bill Cannon was added to the slate of principals; and

WHEREAS, under the great vision and leadership of the principals, the organization has grown from a small and capable firm to become an employee-owned corporation with a staff of approximately four hundred twenty-five employees in ten offices; and

WHEREAS, the organization now offers a full range of design services; and

WHEREAS, the firm has been repeatedly recognized by <u>Engineering News Record</u> as one of the top two hundred design firms in the nation; and

WHEREAS, during 1994, the firm was involved in over 2,000 active projects, resulting in billings of approximately \$29.4 million; and

WHEREAS, the company has enriched our state by completing projects for local governments, federal and state agencies, and commercial and industrial entities in locations throughout Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, throughout Barge, Waggoner, Sumner, and Cannon's expansion, the company has remained loyal to its ideals and goals, thus enabling itself to better meet the needs of its many clients; and

WHEREAS, this well-respected enterprise has helped to enrich the state of Tennessee by providing the state with a company of superior quality, honesty, and character; and

WHEREAS, individuals in the firm have held the highest national offices in professional organizations; and

WHEREAS, for forty faithful years, Barge, Waggoner, Sumner, and Cannon, Inc. has served the design community; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That this body pauses to recognize the fortieth anniversary of Barge, Waggoner, Sumner, and Cannon, Inc. and commends its many contributions to Tennessee and the design community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we wish the founders and employees of this fabulous enterprise continued growth and success as they serve their industry and community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a presentation copy of this resolution be presented with this final resolving clause deleted.

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